

**MINUTES OF MEETING
WAYNE COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION
FRIDAY, AUGUST 4, 2017 – 9:00 A.M.
COLEMAN A. YOUNG MUNICIPAL BUILDING - ROOM 700A
2 WOODWARD AVENUE, DETROIT, MICHIGAN 48226**

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m., Friday, August 4, 2017.

Members present: Honorable Freddie G. Burton, Jr., Chief Judge, Probate Court
Honorable Cathy M. Garrett, Secretary – Wayne County Clerk
Honorable Eric Sabree, Member – Wayne County Treasurer

Also present: Janet Anderson-Davis, Assistant Corporation Counsel
Delphine Oden, Director, Wayne County Elections
Jennifer Redmond, Assistant Director, Wayne County Elections
Brad Thompson, Inland Press
Rendell Wooden

Agenda item: **Consideration of Agenda approval.**

Board action on agenda item: Chair Burton requested a motion to approve the agenda. Member Garrett, duly supported by Member Sabree, moved to adopt the agenda as submitted. The motion was adopted unanimously by a voice vote.

Agenda item: **Approval of Minutes of June 12, 2017**

Board action on agenda item: Chair Burton requested a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held on June 12, 2017. Member Garrett, duly supported by Member Sabree, moved to approve the minutes of the meeting held on June 12, 2017. The motion was adopted unanimously by a voice vote.

Agenda item: **Ballot Printing Contract**

Chair Burton requested that Counsel give some background information on the contract. Corporation Counsel Janet Anderson-Davis indicated that she sent an e-mail to the Commission on July 24, 2017, stating under Michigan law the Commission has the authority to accept the contract extension offer as presented, and there are no legal obstacles. Counsel Anderson-Davis stated the scope in the current contract refers to ES&S and M100s, the Commission may want to consider renegotiating the scope of services or sending it out for bids.

Delphine Oden, Director, Wayne County Elections, indicated that the corrections with the current vendor information and the scope of services have already been prepared.

Chair Burton inquired as to when was the last time the contract was sent out for bid. Mrs. Anderson-Davis indicated 2010. Member Sabree inquired as to why the offer to extend the contract is through 2022.

Brad Thompson, President of Inland Press, addressed the Commission and offered information relative to Inland Press' plans for expansion and investments. He stated the extension of this contract would be a firm financial basis to build off of going forward.

Board action on agenda item: Chair Burton requested a motion regarding the Ballot Printing Contract. Member Garrett, duly supported by Member Sabree, moved to extend the contract with modifications to the scope of services. **Ayes:** Garrett, Sabree. **Nays:** Burton.

Chair Burton offered an explanation as to why he voted no. He stated he believes the contract should be exposed to the full market, notwithstanding the fact that he has been very happy with Inland Press.

Agenda item: **New Business.** None

Agenda item: **Public Comment.**

Board action on agenda item: Member Garrett reiterated her feelings in regards to the longtime relationship they have had with Inland Press. Mr. Thompson made reference to his long relationship with the County. Chair Burton thanked them both.

Agenda item: **Adjournment.** The meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent.

Meeting adjourned at 9:18 a.m.